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ATTENTION OF

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
DEFENSE LANGUAGE INSTITUTE FOREIGN LANGUAGE CENTER  
AND PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY  
MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA 93944

20 DEC 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Motor Vehicle and Pedestrian Accident Prevention Policy

1. Purpose: This memorandum prescribes command policy to prevent motor vehicle and pedestrian accidents.
2. Applicability: This memorandum applies to all service members and civilian personnel, to include family members, contract employees, and guests while on the Presidio of Monterey and Ord Military Community.
3. Policy:
  - a. Use of cell phones while driving/operating motor vehicles is prohibited except for medical, fire and law enforcement personnel in response to emergency calls and rescue operations. While driving, operating a vehicle safely is a driver's primary responsibility. Eating, drinking, programming music, and applying cosmetics are distracters that negate a driver's ability to react. Avoid unsafe driving practices at all times.
  - b. Roller skating, in-line skating, rollerblading, and skateboarding are prohibited on any roadway. These activities are permissible in parking areas after duty hours, unless otherwise designated, and require the proper wear of a helmet and use of personal protective equipment at all times.
  - c. Wearing/use of portable headphones, earphones, or other listening devices is prohibited on roadways/sidewalks while operating a motor vehicle, jogging/running, bicycling, roller skating, rollerblading, in-line skating, or skateboarding. Use of headphones on fitness tracks and Soldier Field is authorized.
  - d. Leaving motor vehicles unattended with engine running is prohibited, unless an emergency exists.
  - e. Motorcyclists and bicyclists shall wear helmets.
  - f. Motorists and bicyclists must watch out for pedestrians. Bicyclists shall use bike lanes, where they are available.
  - g. Pedestrians shall use crosswalks when crossing the streets and use designated paths and sidewalks for walking, jogging, or running.

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h. Drivers and all passengers shall use seatbelts and/or child passenger restraint system, as applicable.

i. All traffic shall stop when a school bus is stopped with flashing red lights or when a shuttle bus is stopped with flashing warning lights. Traffic will resume only upon cancellation of flashing lights.

j. All traffic will stop during reveille and retreat. Service members will exit their vehicles and render respect, in uniform or civilian clothes, to the colors.

4. References:

a. Department of Defense (DoD) Instruction 6055.4, DoD Traffic Safety Program, 20 July 1999

b. AR 385-55, Prevention of Motor Vehicle Accidents, 12 March 1987

5. This policy is effective 15 January 2005. Failure to comply is subject to disciplinary action and/or traffic citation.



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